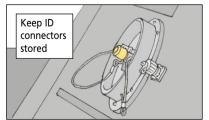


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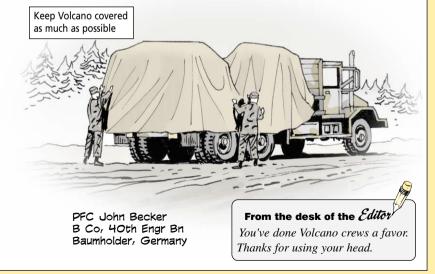
We have three suggestions for other Volcano crews that should make mining easier.

• We had trouble with the zippers for the rack covers sticking. When a crew member would try to free the zipper, it would tear. Then you have no way to seal out moisture from the racks. It's not easy to get the zippers repaired or the covers replaced. We found putting zipper lube, NSN 9150-00-999-7548, on the zippers weekly usually keeps them moving. If you don't have the lube, candle wax or bar soap are good substitutes. In wet, freezing weather, you may need to lube the zippers at the beginning of the day. • The ID connectors for each rack are easily knocked off and broken and then you can't use the rack. We don't leave the ID connectors on the racks. We store them and bring them out only for PMCS and actual operations. They last longer that way.





• If the Volcano is installed on the truck or track, keep the entire system covered with a tarp as much as possible. The drier you can keep it, the better it will work.



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